

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A method for ~~modifying the appearance of a substrate~~ reducing the appearance of dark circles around eyes comprising applying to the ~~substrate~~ skin with dark circles surrounding the eyes a composition comprising at least one copolymer comprising at least one vinyl pyrrolidone monomeric unit and at least one C<sub>10</sub>-C<sub>40</sub> alkene monomeric unit, wherein the at least one copolymer is present in an amount effective to ~~modify the appearance of the substrate~~ reduce the appearance of the dark circles.

2-6. (Canceled).

7. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one C<sub>10</sub>-C<sub>40</sub> alkene monomeric unit is chosen from pentadecene, hexadecene, heptadecene, octadecene, nonadecene, eicosene, docosene, and triacontene.

8. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one copolymer is chosen from polyvinylpyrrolidone/hexadecene copolymers, polyvinylpyrrolidone/eicosene copolymers, and tricontanyl polyvinylpyrrolidone copolymers.

9. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one copolymer is tricontanyl polyvinylpyrrolidone.

10. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one copolymer has an weight-average molecular mass ranging from 5,000 to 30,000.

11. (Original) The method according to claim 10, wherein said at least one copolymer has an weight-average molecular mass ranging from 6,000 to 20,000.

12. (Currently amended) The method according to claim ~~[[2]]~~ 1, wherein said at least one copolymer is present in said composition in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 20% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition.

13. (Original) The method according to claim 12, wherein said at least one copolymer is present in said composition in an amount ranging from 0.5% to 10% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition.

14. (Original) The method according to claim 13, wherein said at least one copolymer is present in said composition in an amount ranging from 0.5% to 5% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition.

15. (Currently amended) The method according to claim ~~[[4]]~~ 1, wherein said at least one copolymer is present in said composition in an amount ranging up to 3% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition.

16. (Original) The method according to claim 15, wherein said at least one copolymer is present in said composition in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 2% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition.

17-36. (Canceled).

37. (New) A method for reducing cutaneous signs of aging and/or fatigue comprising applying to skin with the cutaneous signs of aging and/or fatigue a composition comprising at least one copolymer formed from at least one vinyl

pyrrolidone monomer and at least one C<sub>10</sub>-C<sub>40</sub> alkene monomer, wherein the at least one copolymer is present in an amount effective to reduce the appearance of the cutaneous signs of aging and/or fatigue.

38. (New) A method for treating oily or combination skin comprising applying to the oily or combination skin a cosmetic composition comprising at least one copolymer formed from at least one vinyl pyrrolidone monomer and at least one C<sub>10</sub>-C<sub>40</sub> alkene monomer, wherein the at least one copolymer is present in an amount effective to reduce the oily appearance of oily or combination skin.

39. (New) A method for reducing the appearance of at least one of wrinkles, fine lines, and pores of skin comprising applying to the skin with at least one of wrinkles, fine lines, and pores a composition formed from at least one vinyl pyrrolidone monomer and at least one C<sub>10</sub>-C<sub>40</sub> alkene monomer, wherein the at least one copolymer is present in an amount effective to reduce the appearance of at least one of wrinkles, fine lines, and pores of the skin.